

# PROPOSED AMENDMENT

## HB 1638 # 17

### DIGEST

School transformation. Changes the timeline, from six years to four years, for state intervention for a school initially placed in the lowest category or designation of school improvement after June 30, 2016. (Currently, the timeline applies to schools initially placed in the lowest category or designation after June 30, 2015.) Provides that in the year after the year in which a school is initially placed in the lowest category of school improvement, the state board of education (state board) may assign an expert team. (Current law provides that the state board shall assign an expert team.) Removes a provision requiring a school corporation to submit a master plan in the third year of placement in the lowest category or designation of school improvement. Provides that a school that is initially placed in the lowest category or designation of school improvement after June 30, 2016, must submit a facilities master plan and an asset inventory for the school to the state board by December 31, following the fourth consecutive year in the lowest performance category or designation. Makes changes to the procedure used by the state board for closing a school. Makes changes to actions that the state board may take for a school corporation during the fourth year after the school corporation is designated in the lowest category or designation of school improvement. Removes provisions allowing the use of unlicensed teachers in a turnaround academy. Makes changes to the dates in which transformation plans may be submitted and approved or denied by the state board. Makes conforming and technical amendments.

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- 1 Page 2, line 31, delete "IC 20-31-9-4." and insert "**IC 20-25.5**".
- 2 Page 3, line 9, delete "July 1, 2015," and insert "**July 1, 2016**".
- 3 Page 3, line 13, delete "June 30, 2015," and insert "**June 30, 2016**".
- 4 Page 3, line 17, strike "shall" and insert "**may**".
- 5 Page 3, delete lines 40 through 42.
- 6 Page 4, delete lines 1 through 19.
- 7 Page 4, line 24, delete "July 1, 2015," and insert "**July 1, 2016**".
- 8 Page 4, line 29, delete "June 30, 2015," and insert "**June 30, 2016**".
- 9 Page 5, line 19, delete "A" and insert "**For a school initially placed**
- 10 **in the lowest category or designation of school improvement after**
- 11 **June 30, 2016, the**".
- 12 Page 5, line 19, delete "an updated" and insert "**a**".
- 13 Page 5, line 20, after "asset" delete "plan".
- 14 Page 5, line 21, delete "September 1" and insert "**December 31**".
- 15 Page 5, between lines 22 and 23, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 16 "**(e) The following procedures apply if the state board**

determines that a school should be closed under subsection (b)(1)(G):

(1) The state board shall request from the school corporation an alternative plan to the closure of the school. The school corporation shall provide the plan within sixty (60) days of the state board's request.

(2) At least two-thirds (2/3) of all members of the board must vote to close the school.

(3) If the state board votes to close the school, the state board shall approve a student reassignment plan after receiving recommendations from the school corporation."

Page 5, line 27, delete "2015," and insert "2016,".

Page 5, delete lines 34 through 42, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(1) Implementing the department's recommendations for improving the school corporation.

(2) Other options for school improvement expressed at the public hearing.

(3) Filing a petition with the distressed unit appeal board established under IC 6-1.1-20.3 on behalf of the governing body and the superintendent of the school corporation seeking to have the school corporation designated as a distressed political subdivision. The distressed unit appeal board may designate the school corporation as a distressed political subdivision under IC 6-1.1-20.3-6.5 solely on the basis of the petition of the state board notwithstanding IC 6-1.1-20.3-6."

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 5.

Page 12, delete lines 22 through 42.

Page 13, delete lines 1 through 18.

Page 14, line 10, delete "Not later than seventy-five (75) days after receiving a".

Page 14, line 11, delete "governing body's plan, the" and insert "The".

Page 14, line 14, after "section." insert "All plans must be submitted to the state board not later than April 15.".

Page 14, line 17, delete "as described under IC 20-31-9-3.5." and insert "and asset inventory described under IC 20-31-9-4(d)".

Page 14, line 41, delete "the school corporation requires" and insert "would need to be waived for the school corporation".

Page 15, delete lines 19 through 21, begin a new line block indented

- 1 and insert:
- 2 **"(1) expand the grades offered at the school occupied by the**
- 3 **special management team; and".**
- 4 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.  
(Reference is to HB 1638 as printed February 17, 2015.